

Housing Repair Assistance Program 2011

Total Households Helped: 185

Total number of persons in family households: 310

Household Income:

0-30% 50

31-50% 75

51-80% 60

Total 185

Ethnicity:

White 156

Black/African American 13

Asian 12

American Indian 1

Other multi-Racial 3

Total 185

Number of services provided: 867

Budget:

Comprised of General Fund, Community Development Block Grants and First Savings Bank. General Fund pays for Housing Coordinators Salary/benefits, the cost of the purchase and maintenance of two vans, the cost of computers. First Savings bank contributes \$40,000 per year which we use to pay for the cost of non-emergency repairs. CDBG funds primarily are used to pay for cost of salary/benefits for two staff (Facilities technician and Housing Repair Technician).

We contract out if: a repair requires a license or technical knowledge that we do not have. If it involves a roof. If it is a permitted confined space.

CDBG funds are used for emergency repairs, so that we do not need to get three bids. Required to do more and more paperwork and requirements – environmental review, lead based paint risk assessment

Challenges: Not sure how long First Savings Bank will continue to support us at the level they are. Lead based paint risk assessment could potentially add \$200-\$400 per job cost. Confined spaces (attics and crawl spaces) need to be tested for hazards prior to being declared a non-permitted repair – takes time and special equipment. We have underspent CDBG budget last few years so that we have enough funds in 2012 to cover cost of budget – the cost of two positions (carried forward \$65,887 + 2012 estimated 181,900= 247,787). Beyond 2012 looks doubtful. We are working on additional marketing to get new clients, as many of the clients are repeat customers year to year.

Expenses:

CDBG Salaries and Benefits: \$203,156

Operating Supplies \$13,827

Contracted Services \$22,187

Total CDBG \$239,170